



Disaster and Emergency Management Resources

Cooking When the Power Goes Off

- Charcoal or gas grills are the most obvious alternative sources of heat for cooking. But never use them indoors. Camp stoves that use gasoline or solid fuel should also be used outdoors.
- Small electrical appliances can be used to prepare meals if you have access to an electrical generator.
- Wood can be used for cooking if the chimney is sound and the damper is open.
- If you have to build a fire outside, build it away from any building.
- Never use gasoline to get a wood or charcoal fire started.

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